

SERMON NOTES

August 19 & 20, 2023

Well Connected: Everyone is Welcome
John 4

Well Connected Series:

Week 1 – Jesus _____ the movement of God that had been entrusted too little Israel
to _____.

Week 2 – Jesus _____ the religious hierarchy because we all _____
_____.

Week 3 – Jesus _____ the Holy Spirit so _____.

1. Biblical Hospitality: _____ for someone you don't have to _____
_____ for.

2. Jesus – The Woman – The Well

a. Jesus divided people into us and _____. **John 4:3-4**

b. God is going to use Jesus _____. **John 4:6**

c. Biblically, a well means it is a _____ story. **John 4:6**

d. In the ancient world, men did not _____. **John 4:7,9**

e. Jesus continually _____ of us and them. **Luke 10:25-37 | Luke 17:12-19**
Luke 9:54-55 | John 8:48 | John 4:10

f. Jesus _____ about each of us. **John 4:14-16**

g. The Disciples looked at the Samaritan woman and saw somebody _____;
Jesus looked at her and saw somebody _____. **John 4:19, 23, 25, 26-30**

3. Pathway church _____, not _____.

4. Take Home Invite Phrase " _____."

Life Steps

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Monday

John 4:1-9

Reflect: Jesus welcomed the Samaritan woman against all cultural norms of the day. With whom do you not associate because of cultural norms? What steps can you take to be more welcoming? "You should come to my church."

Prayer: Help me to be more welcoming to people who are not like me.

Tuesday

John 14:1-3

Reflect: What are your thoughts about this definition of hospitality? Biblical hospitality is making space for someone you don't have to make space for. "You should come to my church."

Prayer: Help me help my church extend radical hospitality to all who enter our doors.

Wednesday

Luke 9:51-56; 10:25-37; 17:11-19;

Reflect: What made Jesus' actions toward the Samaritans so counter cultural? Identify three simple things you can do over the course of your normal day at work/school/neighborhood/church that would help a person feel welcome. "You should come to my church."

Prayer: Help me be aware of how I can be more welcoming to everyone I meet on a daily basis.

Thursday

Matthew 9:9-11 | Luke 15:1-2

Reflect: Identify a situation that you regard as "us" and "them." What would it take within you for that same situation to become "us" and "soon to be us?" Who are you inviting to join you in worship this weekend? "You should come to my church."

Prayer: Help me to notice the people you want me to invite to my church.

Friday

I John 4:19:21

Reflect: Being right puts me on the opposite side of people I disagree with. How have you experienced this to be true in your life? "You should come to my church."

Prayer: Help me to love the people you want me to invite to my church.

Saturday

Luke 23:38-43

Reflect: What is the difference between a fence builder and a well builder? Which one best models Jesus' ministry? Why? Which one best models your ministry? Why? "You should come to my church."

Prayer: Help me to be a well of hope and encouragement that nourishes others.

Sunday

I Peter 4:8-10

Reflect: Recall a time you experienced a warm welcome and a time you did not receive a warm welcome. As you think about morning worship and being a part of the Welcome Team, what is your do different today?

Prayer: Use me to help everyone who attends worship today feel welcome.